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RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED DECEMBER 17, 2007

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed December 17, 2007, which has a shortened statutory period set to expire on March 17, 2007, the Applicant requests the Office enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0668 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.